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In re Application of: SEEBACHER et al.

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For: POWER TRANSMITTING APPARATUS WITH FLUID COUPLING

November 29, 1994

ELECTION OF SPECIES

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This election is in response to the Examiner's Action dated November 10, 1994. In the Examiner's Action, the Examiner separated drawings in the above-identified application into the following species:

Species I

Fig. 1

Species II

Figs. 2 and 3

Species IV

Fig. 4

Applicants hereby elect Species II (Figs. 2 and 3) for examination purposes at this time. It is believed that claims 1-19, 21, 22, 24-27, 29, 30, and 36-47 read on the Species II embodiment, as illustrated and described.

Applicants submit that, inter alia, claim 22 is generic to all three species. However, applicants believe that claim 23, which depends from and therefore includes the limitations of generic claim 22, reads specifically on the Species IV embodiment. Applicants further believe that independent claim 48 contains the limitations of claim 23, and therefore also contains the limitations of generic claim 22. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.141, upon allowance of generic claim 22, applicants should be entitled to consideration of not only claim 23, but also claim 48, along with its dependent claims 49-68.

Favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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